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MISS MARIE DIRO RADIATES CHEER

"The Richest Girl" Sheds Sunshine of Genuine Humor.

HEARTY PRAISE FOR FAVERSHAM

New Play Presented by Miss Crosman Dangerously Thin-Coming Attractions.

By ALLEN D. ALBERT, Jr.

Marie Doro in "The Richest Girl" is a brightener of life. Not in the manner of Bottom or Lew Dockstader or Katherine or Cyprienne, but rather in the manner of an American Rosalind in an In this reporting including lear." Henry Tuesday night, "King Lear." Wednesday matinee, "Merchant of Venice;" Wednesday night, "Hamlet;" Thursday night, "Hamlet;" "Louis XI;" Saturday matinee, "Romeo and Juliet;" Saturday night, "Richard III."

not even tangible substance. it warms, and nourishes, and cheers COLUMBIA-"Paid in Full." without mental effort on the part of the est Girl," fairy-tale as it is, than to see a dozen of "Arms and the Man."
How naturally the automobile has glipped into its place on the stage! One year we have a musical comedy called "The Vanderbilt Cup." Another we have Mr. Shaw's "Man and Superman" with an automobile taking all the audience to see Hell. Now we have received Mr. Osborne's "Baby Bullet," in the form of comedy and taken it with little soutress of delight. Good luck to the carned first fame for the brilliant draest Girl," fairy-tale as it is, than to tomorrow. management which turned the trick! play burst upon Broadway and made Likewise Auch thanks for proving that terrific sensation.

"The Queen of the Moulin Rouge!" Somewhat this same kind of humor was Mr. Faversham's aim in "The Barber of New Orleans," a delightful coming in "Paid in Full" is its naturalness. edy bought of a Philadelphia newspaper man, Carpenter by name. It was tak- BELASCO-Louise Gunning in "Maring on motion (which may be the critic's way of saying going some) for this star to undertake two new plays celle," comes to the Belasco Theater on his first tour as his own manager. tomorrow for a week's engagement. But the one was to balance the other. If "El Gran Galeoto" was too heavy those tuneful and popular successes and serious, then "The Barber of New The Prince of Pilsen" and "Wood-

the test of a dozen seasons in Europe, in spite of prodigious length and overwrought figures of speech. At the hands of this capable young American it has been condensed into terse, tight, driv-

Mr. Winter came out with the truth | made up of prominent players and sing when he saw "The World and His Wife" in New York and had time to Wednesday, and a regular Saturday think about it. "Mr. Faversham," matinee. wrote the dean, "is easily the most interesting actor now visible in New CHASE'S-Sheehan and Vaudeville.

with hardly less fidelity and effect, for repertoire of operatic airs and popular this earnest and ambitious artist has ballads. drawn human nature so delicately and withal so impressively that no one who has seen his Sir Bryce Skene in "The Masqueraders," or his young lieutenant in "Brother Officers," will fall to rank will be the offering at the Academy She will make her initial appearance in the property of the second structed with a number of important rusted with a number of season rusted with him among the most effective of our students of acting.

Beyond this, he is an excellent light comedian, an adept at that most difficult task-the impersonation of straightforward, earnest, unembroidered characters, and an actor of much tragic power

Miss Crosman, at the Columbia, did not prove so fortunate. Her new play is dangerously thin. Monday night there was so much pleasure in observing this star, so much satisfaction in seeing a woman actor create an illusion in what might have been taken as simply ; "personality" part, that the transpa ency of the situations was a little

distinction of "The Richest Girl"debts and success. Bills and collect to any of us. Riches and love are So that, other things being equal, we would rather see Miss Doro's play than Miss Crosman's. Also, there is just that little shade of difference which separates indulgence from criticism. It is discouraging to think what would happen •o "Sham" without Miss Crosman.

Mr. Mantell brings to the National a repertoire of plays which are seen

a repertoire of plays which are see too rarely in any theatrical genera tion and are never seen without profit. He is an excellent actor of an old and honorable school. At the Columbia will be seen "Paid in Full," distinctly one of the season's dramatic sensations of the better class. Louise Guning will bring large sensations of the better class. ning will bring her sweet voice and a new Pixley and Luders opera to the Belasco. Fine pickin's.

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Program for Week Includes Mantell, Modern Drama, and Operetta.

INTEREST AROUSED BY "PAID IN FULL"

Early Walter Play Seen at Columbia-Miss Gunning Has New Musical Roll.

During his engagement here this week Mr. Mantell will be seen in the following plays: Monday matinee, A rare kind of amusement was offered "Lady of Lyons;" Monday night, "Mac at the National this past week. Little beth;" Tuesday night, "King Lear;

manner of an American Rosalind in an automobile.

James Whitcomb Riley suggests in his lectures that Americans emphasize wit at the expense of humor. The one, as Thackeray put it, is a flash of lightning; the other a glow of sunshine.

Now sunshine is not thick. It has not high the substance, But the substance, But III."

In this repertoire including both heroic and poetic tragedies, Mr. Mantell has justified his position as one of the foremost Shakespearean actors on the American stage.

During Mr. Mantell's engagement there will be a matinee on Washington's Birthday and the usual matinees on Wednesday and Saturday.

Theater patrons will have an interestbeneficiary-very much as does Mr. ing offering at the Columbia this week Frohman's "youngest star" in her new in Eugene Walter's play, "Paid in Full, car. Mr. Riley is right. It would do which begins its engagement in this cit the world more good to see "The Rich- with a Washington's Birthday matine

squirms of delight. Good luck to the matist. He was unknown when this

the "tired business man" can be lightly and healthfully amused this side of "The Queen of the Moulin Rouge" "Paid in Full" is striking photograph of life today in the larger American cities. It pictures real men and women such as we meet in everyday life, with

celle."

Pixley & Luder's new operetta, "Mar-This latest work by the authors of

Orleans," with its quaintness and smilling sentiment would balance the scale. How has it worked out? The tragedy has succeeded decisively and brilliantly. The comedy is on the shelf.

No wonder as to the first play! Mr. Nirdlinger had excellent material in Echegeray's poetic drama. It had stood the test of a dozen seasons in Everyone. Although this is the first season of the gifted and altogether delightful young artist as a star, she had the leading role in "Tom Jones" last season, and before that was with Mme. Schuman-Heink in "Love's Lottery." ing action. Most of all, it is beautifully acted.

The Shuberts, we are told, have given the opera an elaborate and beautiful production, and a supporting company

York." Mr. Sothern and Mr. Forbes | Chase's this week will present for the Robertson were not then "visible," the first time in vaudeville, Joseph F. rating above Mr. Warfield of a man Sheehan, the tenor, formerly of the Miss Edith Luckett Appears This who is far more than a character actor Henry W. Savage English Grand Opera is easy to understand in Mr. Winter, Company; B. A. Rolfe's laughable proand Mr. Faversham has in fact earned a high place on the English-speaking stage.

All the managers in the world to the contrary, he is an excellent character actor. Not in roles like "The Music Master," perhaps, but, nevertheless, with hardly less fidelity and effect, for repertoire of operatic airs and popular repertoire of

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BEGINNING TOMORROW

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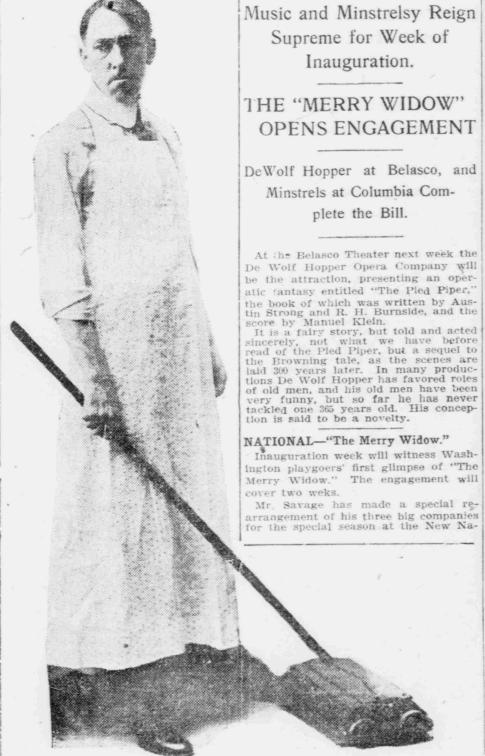
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DROUET IS SIGNED FOR STELLAR PART

Closes Contract to Appear in "The COLUMBIA-Cohan and Harris Min-Conflict," New Play by Samuels.

Robert Drouet has just closed a contract with Paul H. Liebler, in which it is stipulated that he is to be featured in a new play by Maurice V. Samuels, entitled, "The Conflict."

It is said that the play has all the elements of strength that made for the success of "The Servant in the House" and "The Witching Hour." Drouet's part is said to give him an opportunity in keeping with his ability.

The play will go into rehearsal immediately and is expected to open shortly in Washington.

week of the inauguration, beginning March 1, at the Columbia Theater, is a return engagement of the "cohan and Harris Minstrels," with George Evans and his bundred other "Honey Boys," who on the occasion of their visit to the city Christmas week obtained instant recognition.

From the rise of the curtain on the gorgeously staged olio in the "Glade of the Orchids" to the final curtain on George M. Cohan's uproariously funny "Bell of the Barbers' Ball," there is not an unlateresting moment in shortly in Washington.

WASHINGTON GIRL HAS A NEW ROLE

Week in "A Son of the

South.

Considerable local interest is attached to the announcement made public today that Miss Edith Luckett, a sister of Joseph Luckett, for many years manager of the Columbia Theater of Washington, has been engaged to play a character role in C. T. Dazey's new play, "A Son of the South."

Miss Luckett has already been interested with a number of important

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Thursday Night "Richelieu."

Friday Night "Louis XI."

Saturday Matinee "Eomeo and Juliet."

Saturday Night "King Richard III."

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